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### SOCIAL CORNER POEM.

#### Going Home.

Heimang: So the German people  
Whisper when they hear the bell  
Telling from some gray old steeples,  
Deaf's familiar tale to tell.  
When they hear the organ dirges  
Swelling out from chapel-doors,  
And the singers' chanting surges,  
"Heimang!" Always going home.

Heimang: Quiet and tender saying,  
In the grand old German tongue,  
That has stamped Melanchthon's  
praying.  
And the hymn that Luther sung,  
Blessed be our loving Master's name,  
That is where our feet shall roam:  
We are journeying to God's Acre—  
"Heimang!" Always going home.

Heimang: We are all so weary,  
And the willows, as they wave,  
Softly sighing, sweetly dreary,  
Woe as to the tranquil grave.  
With its dregs, or with its foam,  
And the tender words are spoken—  
"Heimang!" We are going home.  
—From the German.

### ANSWERS AND INQUIRIES.

MAINE LOVER—Cards received and mailed as you directed.

JANETTE—The postal card exchange is one of the least of the Editor's trials. Feel perfectly free to command his services. It is his duty to be always willing to do more. The letters were mailed as you directed.

RUTH—If the Editor was acquainted with his Social Corner family he would be afraid to award the prizes; but he has never personally known a prize winner, so he cannot be charged with partiality. Making the awards is not wholly satisfactory to him. He has been fortunate in having few complaints, which shows the family is both patient and appreciative.

POLLY PEPPERMINT—Cards received and mailed as you wished.

### ECONOMY APPLE SAUCE.

To the Editor Social Corner Family: And a good family, too, isn't it. I rejoice to see so many little directions for fancy work. If I do care much for such work I like to read about it. But just now I am arguing to tell you how I made apple sauce to be saving. Don't remember where I saw the directions, but somewhere. I cored the apples, then washed them and put them on to cook, and when done I used spoon and mashed them through colander. Say, if you'll believe me, there was no waste oil the skins, and it was a saving.

Yes, I'm still still faint with my plants, and was a very pretty button hole bouquet of pink geranium blossoms not long since, which I was very proud of.

I would love to know what has become of Wild West. Am wondering if she has found my song for me yet. Long live the Social Corner.

A line is sufficient for memory and I can see some of you smile.

Enough said.

BALSAM FIR.

So. Windham, Me.

CANDY FOR THE KIDDIES.

Editor of the Social Corner—I expected to find you busy with Christmas gifts, said a Social Corner Sister to a friend.

"Well, I have decided not to make any more this year," was the answer. "I used every bit of my brain for fancy work that I found in the attic last year, and I don't feel that I can spare any more money this year. I am sorry when I think of my little nieces and nephews."

"You found your material in the attic last year, why not try the pantry this year?" said the Social Corner Sister. "You could spare four cups of molasses, four spoonful of vinegar. Then boil. When it hardens in cold water it is done. This year, if you use my recipe for chocolate fudge which is: Two cups granulated sugar, one cup of milk, two squares chocolate and butter the size of an egg. When done it will just begin to form in cold water. Remove from stove, add one spoonful vanilla, and beat one minute. Cut in squares as it begins to harden."

If you can spare the whites of an egg or two, beat stiff, add confectionary sugar enough to make a stiff meringue and a little vanilla, press half an English walnut meat on each side, and you have delicious and easily prepared cream wafers.

These are three of my plainest, easiest, recipes which I often make for my own children, and they always taste to escape the dish.

If you have saved your empty candy boxes (as almost every woman does), they will be just the thing to pack the candy in this year.

Now I must go home said the Social Corner Sister.

I will go and see how many clean candy boxes I can find said her friend.

Norwich. A SISTER.

COMFORT HINTS FROM THEODORA.

Dear Editor and Sisters:—This Social Corner has developed into a prominence that its hosts of readers have come to recognize it as a medium of information in all lines of housework and culinary art; also in the vast amount of varied ideas in the line of useful and ornamental fancy work.

If there are those who do not know what, or how to make gifts for the holiday season it must be because they do not read the Social Corner.

Who has not enjoyed these delightful days of October? And during one of the finest of them, when the earth was radiant with sunshine from heaven there also shone upon me Sunshine from Stonington.

The gleam of that short call is with me yet; and the warmth of friendship gives me a very kindly feeling toward one who is so bright and sunny.

How we look forward to the letters when we have had the pleasure of meeting some of the writers their letters seem more like personal mes-

beeswax or any modern contrivance you choose.

But after one week. I use tall, large necked bottles such as chow chow comes in and cover cork with paraffine.

I have made half a barrel of sauerkraut. Come up, over or down and have some. J. E. T.

Yantic.

### LITTLE HINTS.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: Did any of you ever roll quarters of apple in doughnut dough (before it is stiff enough to roll) and drop them in hot fat? They are nice cold.

Did you ever buy the sugar that comes in square lumps and roll them in chocolate frosting or flavor them with a few drops of lemon, orange, peppermint or wintergreen extract?

Popcorn balls rolled in frosting made from pink sugar or chocolate are pretty.

Cranberries are pretty to trim a white frosted cake.

Plainfield. ETTA BARBER.

A NEW ENGLAND THANKSGIVING DINNER.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: I have been busy of late and will now try to make up for lost time. Here are some recipes which I have tried and found good for Thanksgiving dinner:

### MENU.

Boiled Potatoes Mashed Turnip  
Cold Roast Pork  
Boiled Onions Baked Squash  
Dressing Cranberry Sauce Celery

Brown Bread White Bread  
Chicken Pie Pumpkin Pie Apple Pie  
Mince Pie Pumpkin Pie Apple Pie

Cheese Fruit Cake Coffee  
Oranges Grapes Nuts

Dressing—Chop fine six cold boiled potatoes, four medium sized onions, three fat pork, four cups of cracker crumbs or dry bread crumbs, one tablespoon of salt, pepper and sage to suit taste, one egg, the heart of a turkey, two cups of water, which the heart was boiled in, is all right to wet up your dressing with. Make it quite moist, stuff your turkey and bake.

Plum Pudding—One cup molasses, one cup sweet milk, one cup egg, one cup flour, two eggs, beat light, one cup currants, two cups raisins, and four cups of cracker crumbs, one cup of citron cut up fine, the juice of a lemon, one teaspoon of soda, cinnamon, clove and nutmeg. Steam two hours. If not wanted so rich omit part of the fruit. Serv. with warm sauce.

Pudding Sauce—One heaping teaspoon of cornstarch, rub smooth with a little cold water. Pour on enough hot water to make a tea-cupful when thickened, one cup sugar and one egg beaten together, mix well, and cook in slowly the thickened starch, stirring well, and flavor to suit taste. Place on ice if desired cold.

Fruit Cake—One cup sugar, one cup sweet milk, two-thirds cup of butter, two eggs, one-half cup molasses, one cup currants, one cup raisins, one cup citron, one cup of soda, one cup of lemon, one teaspoon of soda, cinnamon, clove and ginger. Bake in slow oven two to three hours.

Chocolate Cake. It is fine.

Aunt: I tried your recipe for Black Chatterbox. How does this cold weather strike you? I am going to try some of your recipes when I get time.

Cornflower: Your eggless recipes are just what we need this time of year when eggs are high.

Must close, with best regards to all and wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving.

AUNT HESTER.

Mystic.

TESTED CAKE RECIPES.

Dear Editor and Social Corner: Herewith I send a few tested recipes:

Butterless, Eggless and Milkless Cake—Put in a saucepan one cup of brown sugar, one cup of seeded raisins, 1 cup of water, 1 cup of lard, 1-4 of a nutmeg, 1 teaspoon of cinnamon, 1-2 teaspoon cloves, and a pinch of salt; boil all together three minutes and when cool add 1 teaspoon of soda dissolved in a little warm water, add 2 cups of flour sifted with 1-2 teaspoon baking powder; bake at low heat in shallow pans from 30 to 40 minutes or until done when tried with straw.

Dutch New Cake—Mix 1 cup of butter with 1-2 pint warm water, add 2 cups of sugar, sift 1 quart of flour with 3 heaping teaspoons baking powder, 1-2 ounce salt, and mix thoroughly; roll out on board with enough flour to make firm and smooth; roll out one inch thick, cut in any shape, bake on buttered tin.

Favorite Spice Cake—Four eggs, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup butter, 1 cup of desired flavor, 1-2 cup potato flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder; beat the yolks and whites separately, into the yolks beat sugar, add flavoring, then add stiffly beaten whites, the potato flour, into which is sifted the baking powder; bake in moderate oven.

South Canterbury. C. C.

GAMES THAT MAKE THANKSGIVING MERRY.

Dear Social Corner Sisters: What a splendid lot of Christmas suggestions we have had. I am sure all of us must have gotten some new hint for our gifts that we will find useful.

Second Thanksgiving. I am sure all of us must have gotten some new hint for our gifts that we will find useful.

With this family gatherings, and while this is a day eagerly looked forward to by the children on account of the big dinner, it may be made to be a day long remembered for its fun and joy.

The pleasantest family gatherings I have ever known, and the same subject matter, hope it may help some hostess in planning for the entertainment of her guests.

ISABELA.

A LETTER FROM CUBA.

Editor Social Corner: I am wondering if the editor and Social Corner sisters would like to hear from a Connecticut Yankee who is sojourning in a foreign country many hundred miles from the United States.

England, and who enjoys reading the "home," cheery letters of the Social Corner.

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From three to four days after a Norwich Bulletin is mailed to us, we are eagerly reading the same in our beautiful tropical island. I wish each one of you could see the foliage here in the richness of its natural colors and enjoy this wonderful climate with me.

Although it is the fourteenth of November we are wearing thin, summer dresses, and in the middle of the month the thermometer is in the 80's. My pen is inadequate to describe the beauty of the nights in the tropics.

There are numerous diversions offered to the tourist, not the least of which is the Miramar gardens, on the Alameda river by the sea. This has an excellent string orchestra, and a French and Spanish band, moving pictures and American music. Then there are the weekly band concerts given by the national band on the Malecon, and those given by the city band in Central park. There are the vine-covered palm terraces open on three sides, where dinner parties are given, and where one can sit on a couch riding and motoring on the Prado and Malecon, and out to the Vedado.

I am taking up too much space for a newcomer, so will close by saying I think Brown Bee's sentiments on Christmas giving is the keynote of Christmas, and I am sure we would all be benefited by following her suggestions.

West Island, Islands.

ALIEN.

## Planning Home-Made Christmas Gifts

### PRETTY GIFTS EASILY MADE.

Dear Members of Social Corner: Here are a few useful and pretty gifts:

Dainty Sleeveless Jacket—Material required: 1/2 skein yarn, white. Make a ch 45 stitch, ch 1 for 1st rib, 1 treble in 1st ch, ch 1, treble in same ch, ch 1, miss 1 ch, 1 treble in next ch, 1 treble in same ch, 1 treble in next ch, repeat across until you have 16 places in all.

2. Ch 3, 1 treble in 4 st of ch, ch 1, treble; repeat same as 1st row until you have 21 rows of blocks. This is back of jacket.

3. Now make 5 rows of blocks, turn and repeat until you have this side front as long as back, make the other side same as this one. Now start at lower edge of back, make 2 treble, 1 ch all way around; make 2 rows of white, then 1 row of colored yarn; repeat across until you have 16 places in all with slip st. Tie with bow.

Horseshoe Picture Frame—Cut out of cardboard shape of horseshoe; have it about two inches wide all around and about seven inches high; cover with some cheesecloth, then crochet a straight strip of same colored silk as cheesecloth; crochet same as sleeveholders, no 1 ribbon can be put up through center; sew the crocheted piece on over frame; run ribbon through; tie a bow on upper right-hand corner; now make a standard of piece of cardboard 11-12 inches wide, 6 inches long; cover with cloth same color as frame; sew on back; take 2 pieces of 2 1/2 inch ribbon, 6 inches long, sew on back to hold in picture. This is a pretty gift and easily made. I have made a green one with pink ribbon run through, and a pink one with green ribbon and they are the prettiest gifts I have, I think.

Sleeveholders—Take some thin wide elastic, measure to fit arm; then take ribbon twice as long as elastic, and two inches wide; put elastic in center, run ribbons, in center, and stitch on machine on the 2 edges of elastic, sew 2 ends together and sew on a bow. The ribbon will be shirred over elastic.

A Darning Equipment—Take a bone ring, tie to a piece of ribbon 3 inches long; on the end tie a small pair of scissors; tie to ring another ribbon 7 inches long; on end tie an emery cushion; on third ribbon tie a darning board; on fourth ribbon tie a needle box; and the fifth run through 3 or 4 spoons darning cotton; tie a big bow on end to hold in spoons. What a gift! Who would not want so rich gift?

Baby's Crochet Bib—Make a chain 80 stitches.

1. Miss 1st stitch, 1 double in each st following, turn.

2. Ch 1, 35 doubles in 35 doubles, all st following, turn; in st of 3 in next, 18 doubles in next, 18 doubles, turn.

3. Ch 1, a double in each of 18 doubles, turning last st, 18 doubles in next, double in each of 18, turn.

4. Ch 1, a double in each st, 3 in widening double, 18 double down opposite side, turn.

5. Continue same as 4th row until you have 7 ribs on 14 rows of same width; then add a st every other row to widen; make 16 more rows.

6. Now make a chain of 18 doubles in 2d row, and finish row with 21 doubles; turn and proceed with border as follows:

7. Ch 2, miss 1 double, a double in next; ch 2, miss 1, a double in next; repeat from start around bib, making 2 doubles in same st with 2 ch between at each corner.

8. Ch 2, a double under 2 ch; repeat around.

9. Ch 4, 2 trebles under 3 ch, ch 5, repeat around.

er gives the person's name.

The secret is, that the one who speaks last is the one on whom the cane will rest.

A CHEAP DRUNK.

Lots of fun will be afforded on-lookers by the victims of a cheap drunk that the most abstemious person may indulge in.

A broom is all that is needed. Rest the forehead on the top of the broom, and the victim will be in a walk around the broom three times. Then open the eyes, drop the broom and try to walk in a dignified manner to your room.

It sounds easy, but try it and see.

THE BOOK TRICK.

Much amusement may be derived from this simple trick: Three books are put on the floor about two feet apart, and someone is blindfolded and asked to pick up one of the books without touching them. The books are then quietly removed and the victim pronounced.

THE LONE CROWDER.

Here is a game that never fails to amuse the children. Everyone is told that they are to be given the name of some well known animal which upon the first word of the name, they are to make the kind of noise each animal makes. The leader goes around the circle, telling all but one to keep still, and the signal is given. This one person is told to crow like a rooster. At the signal no one makes a noise except one, and his lone crowing crows.

There are scores more tricks, but I mustn't take more of our Social Corner space; and although this letter is rather long, I may help some hostess in planning for the entertainment of her guests.

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a double in 1st stitch of ch to form a picot; 2 trebles in next st; repeat from under next ch; repeat from star around and fasten off.

Jobot—Make 2 roses, join and sew together, run ribbon or velvet through center of each; leave ends sticking out on both sides about 2 inches. This is pretty. I have one made.

Collar—Crochet 10 roses of white silk, join 8 together with French knots for collar, add remaining 2 in each side; make a small place of picot chain all the way around. This is very pretty.

Dusting Cap—Cut a piece of cloth oblong (lawn is pretty for this purpose), have it 25 inches through center one way, and 21 inches through center the other way; make a hem all around about 1 inch deep; make a place for elastic to run through; sew on lace all around; sew the elastic; run a bow of elastic to fit the head; sew a bow of ribbon on front and your cap is done.

Handbag—Cut a piece of kid 9 inches long, 6 inches wide at one end; cut it V shape; fold together so the flap will be on outside; take a small piece of kid about 1 inch wide, 6 inches long, and slash it into narrow strips; leave a little space at edge not cut; this is fringe; for side of bag have 2 pieces of fringe, then lay fringe between both edges; sew on machine; other side like this one; then cut 3 strips; kid 1-8 of inch wide, 6 inches long; leave nice fringe; sew on upper right and left-hand corners of bag; put a button on bag and buttonhole on flap. I have just finished three of these bags, one brown, one gray, one light blue, and they are just lovely.

A Merry Christmas to one and all.

A YOUNG MOTHER.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS FROM AUNT SERENA.

Dear Editor and Sisters: I want to thank you, Aunt, for what you said in your last letter. Am glad to know that I had good luck with my recipe. You see, so far as I know, it is original with me, and I was quite proud of it.

My dear Aunt, Mame: better luck next time, maybe. I often fall the first time with recipes that I know prove successful with others.

Ma: Have you found any use yet for that rubber line and the hair-dresser's chiefs? If I had plenty of either, or both, this is the way I'd use them:

Large pieces of the linen would be used for conical hats, or small or square board scarfs, dollies, and pillow cases. All of them would have the hems spoke-stitched, and about an inch in from the hems would be another row of spoke-stitching.

Smaller pieces would be used for Dutch collars, having a scalloped edge and a simple design in solid embroidery. Still smaller pieces, for little embroidered neck bows, envelope shaped money pockets (to suspend about the neck), napkins, cuff bands, embroidered belts, etc.

Handkerchiefs, even the plain hem-stitched ones, make very pretty jobs; they may be either square or pointed. Place the upper edge of each toward the center, and in center at lower edge insert a crocheted medallion, either square or round.

An embroidered handkerchief may be fastened into a dainty bib or bonnet for the baby; or made into a bag to hold his powder puff. For this work a circle of eyelets around the handkerchief at equal distances, for little embroidery through to draw up.

A good sized one may be used to make a case for letters. Fold envelope shaped, sew up, leaving one point for the flap. Sew bow of ribbon to the point of this flap, and line with a square silk covered sachet.

Hope these will be of some use to you.

AUNT SERENA.

CHRISTMAS HELPS.

Editor of the Social Corner: From an Observer's point of view, I think the suggestions on what to make and give for Christmas, as found in these columns, are a very varied and useful anything found in any magazine.

If the gifts are made with loving thought for the one to whom they go, and with the spirit that is so blessed to give than to receive, Christmas will indeed be a time of joy and peace.

In order that I may help someone, I send a few suggestions:

A Combing Towel is made from a damask towel, doubled through the center, ends together; then fold again from side to side, making a 10-12 inch end of the last fold to the center; cut out a place for the neck and bind with wash ribbon. Embroider an initial on the towel, and each side, goes around the shoulders like a cape when combing the hair.

An Invalid's Kimono is made from a square of elderdown, or heavy double-faced outing flannel. Cut from the corner of the square, a piece of ribbon to place at center of neck; bind the edges with ribbon or turn under edges and braid stitch down on right side. A point with each side, and over each arm, which tie together to form a sleeve with ribbon. Sew ribbon to the front to tie.

A Case to Carry Rubbers in is made from two circles of linen a trifle over three inches in diameter and 10-12 inches long and 12 or more inches wide; sew the 10-12 inch sides to the circles, one at each end; bind the two ends together with a snap, or a button and ribbon.

Cut slits in a sheet of dark bristol board, and insert the cards, and insert the cards that come to them from friends.

Handkerchief Cases are made from pretty pattern napkins. Put two napkins together with a sheet, wadding sprinkled with a little scented powder; bind around the edge with ribbon to match the color of flower on napkin, featherstitching it on; on this put another made the same way and fasten around two sides turn back point and fasten down with bow of ribbon.

Make a Scrapbook for the baby out of black card, any size sheets you wish. Notch the edges with a scalloped stitch with bright-colored silk, and paste on bright pictures; little folks like animals and birds the best.

Travelers' Cases made of linen in which to put articles are useful. Emergency cases in which place court plaster, etc., are acceptable.

A Collar Bag for a man friend is nice, but space forbids my describing any more.

FERN.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Which May Easily and Economically Be Made.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: Here are a few suggestions for Christmas gifts which may be made by the little folk, as well as by their mothers and aunts. Nowadays, the children are taught to be practical, and they are water color paints in the public schools, so that it is comparatively an easy matter for them to decorate with pleasing designs of holly, mistletoe, and snow scenes, etc.

Very Pretty Book Marks are made of water color cardboard cut six inches long and tipped with a six-pointed star. The edges of star points are just tinted with silver or gold paint and

such mottoes as "I point the way," or "Beneath my rays you'll find your place," are placed in rust, lettering on the standard beneath the star.

Calendar Pads also are made. The foundation is a stiff cardboard cut in sizes to suit the individual want. Many are 8 by 5, and 6 by 7. Careful measurements must be made before placing the calendar on the board, or the results will not be satisfactory.

Some calendar pads look better to be placed near the lower edge of cards, while others of different size and shape are better if placed in the center, or at one side.

Here, again, a wreath of holly done in watercolor and containing within it the words, "Merry Christmas," or Yuletide Greeting, or the like